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### Meetings this week:

**City Council, Dec. 2,  
7 p.m.**

The City Council will hold a  
workshop session on  
Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2015,  
at 7 p.m. in Council  
Chambers at City Hall.

To view the agenda, [click](#)

Wednesday, November 25, 2015



## Parking garage opens today

Dover Police Chief Anthony Colarusso, Jr. announces the

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For a complete list of upcoming meetings visit the [meeting calendar page](#).



### CITY OF DOVER, NH

288 Central Avenue  
Dover, NH 03820  
603-516-6000

#### City Hall hours:

Monday-Thursday  
8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

#### Friday

8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

#### Recycling Center hours:

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday  
8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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the new 321-space public parking garage will open today, Nov. 25, at 5 p.m. Colarusso noted the Police and Parking Facility Building Committee pledged two years ago to open the parking garage prior to this year's holiday season.

A formal grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 1, at 3 p.m., at the entrance to the garage on Orchard Street.

The new parking garage on Orchard Street uses "Pay by Space" metering technology. This technology offers additional, convenient options for motorists accustomed to the existing downtown EasyPark personal metering system. More information on the new parking garage and Pay by Space system can be found at [drivingdover.com](http://drivingdover.com).

For additional information, including the availability of permits or to RSVP for the grand opening ceremony, contact the City of Dover Parking Bureau at 603-516-2277 or email [parking@dover.nh.gov](mailto:parking@dover.nh.gov).



## Annual Holiday Parade is Sunday, Nov. 29

Dover Children's Center will produce the 2015 Holiday Parade "Christmas Through the Eyes of a Child."

The parade, underwritten by Liberty Mutual, will begin at 2:45 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 29. The parade route will begin at Dunkin Donuts on Central Avenue and continue to the Pine Hill Cemetery.

The parade this year will include floats, bands, color guard, the Dover Mounted Patrol, hot rods and Santa Claus.

This year's parade Grand Marshals are Jenny Sheehan and Steve Pruyne, program managers in Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of New Hampshire's Dover office.

CASA is a statewide nonprofit organization that recruits,

of Dover's official [Facebook page](#) and [twitter feed](#) for the latest updates.

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trains and supports hundreds of volunteer guardians ad litem to serve as a voice for the state's abused and neglected children who've come to the attention of the courts through no fault of their own. Sheehan and Pruyne are two of 10 program managers in CASA's six offices around the state, who are responsible for supervising their teams of volunteer advocates who work directly with the children involved in these cases. Sheehan, who has worked for CASA for 14 years, and Pruyne, nine years, have worked with dozens of volunteers during their careers helping to train and guide them through this important work. CASA volunteer advocates represent the best interests of an abused or neglected child during court proceedings.

As the parade makes its way through the city, the following streets will close to through traffic between 11:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.: Sixth Street (Between Central Avenue and Horne Street), Maple Street (between Sixth and Hough streets), Mount Vernon Street (between Sixth and Hough), and Grove Street (between Sixth and Hough as well as between Sixth and Lincoln streets).

Only residents and parade participants are allowed from the Hough Street entrance to their respective streets. Participants should make arrangements to drop off pedestrians outside of the aforementioned restricted areas.

There is no rain date for the parade.

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## City offices closed Thursday and Friday for Thanksgiving

City administrative offices, including City Hall, will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 26, and Friday Nov. 27, 2015, for Thanksgiving. Regular hours will resume on Monday, Nov. 30, 2015.

City offices will close at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 25.

The Public Library will also be closed on Thanksgiving Day.

The Recycling Center on Mast Road will be closed on Thanksgiving Day.

Curbside trash and recycling pickup will be delayed one day on Thursday and Friday only.

For more information, contact Community Services at 516-6450.

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## Police accreditation assessment team invites public comment



Chief Anthony F. Colarusso, Jr. announces a team of assessors from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA) will arrive Dec. 13, 2015 to examine all aspects of the Dover Police Department's policies and procedures, management, operations, and support services.

Verification by the team that Dover Police Department meets the Commission's standards is part of a voluntary process to remain accredited. The Dover Police Department has been continuously accredited since 1988 when it was the first in New Hampshire and only the 62nd agency in the nation to receive this recognition.

As part of the on-site assessment, agency personnel and members of the community are invited to offer comments at a public information session on Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2015 at 5 p.m. The session will be conducted in Room 306 at the McConnell Center, 61 Locust St. in Dover.

Additionally, agency employees and the public are also invited to offer comments by phone directly to the assessment team. They can do so by calling (603) 516-6100 between the hours of 1 and 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2015.

Telephone comments are limited to 10 minutes and must address the agency's ability to comply with applicable standards. A copy of the standards manual is available for review at the Dover Police Department. The Dover Police Department contact person for the standards manual is Sgt. Mark Collopy, who can be reached at (603) 742-4646.

Anyone wishing to submit written comments about the Dover Police Department's ability to comply with the standards for accreditation may send them to the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement, Inc. (CALEA), 13575 Heathcote Boulevard, Suite 320 Gainesville, Virginia 20155.

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## Dover's citywide winter parking ban begins Dec. 1

Dover Community Services Director Doug Steele and Police Chief Anthony F. Colarusso, Jr. announced that the winter parking ban will begin citywide Dec. 1, 2015, and conclude April 1, 2016.

The ban requires that no vehicle be parked on any city street or sidewalk between the hours of 1 and 6 a.m., and is not limited to nights with snow in the forecast. Vehicles may park in city controlled parking lots and the garage during this time without the need for a parking permit,

however, the daytime rules of each particular parking lot needs to be adhered to.

"Keeping parked vehicles off the roads during the winter months is critical to giving Public Works crews proper access," Colarusso said.

All City parking lots have specific areas where overnight parking is allowed during the winter months. Drivers should look for signs in the lots indicating which rows are available. There is no overnight parking in any public parking spaces in the Orchard Street parking lot. Overnight parking is available in the parking garage.

Vehicles found in violation of the winter parking ban will be issued a \$15 parking ticket. Vehicles interfering with snow removal may be towed.

The city will also enact an emergency parking ban for the downtown area, when needed, to facilitate snow removal. The emergency parking ban will be announced by 3 p.m. each evening and take effect at 1 a.m. the following morning. When the emergency parking ban is in effect, any car parked on a downtown street will be towed. Notification of the emergency parking ban will be conducted through local media, the City of Dover website, cable channel 22 and Dover Download.

Downtown restaurants, bars and other late night business are encouraged to sign up for an e-mail notification of an emergency parking ban by contacting the Parking Bureau at [parking@dover.nh.gov](mailto:parking@dover.nh.gov) or by calling 516-2277.

"Late-night workers leaving their cars along the road until the early morning hours had been a major problem for years," Steele said. "Use of the emergency parking ban for the past few winters when we had repeated heavy snowstorms really paid off."

Streets included in the emergency parking ban area are: Chestnut Street; Main Street; Chapel Street; School Street; First Street; Second Street; Locust Street from Washington to Silver Street; Washington Street from Belknap to River Street; Central Avenue from Sixth Street to Silver Street; Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth streets (Central to Chestnut); Henry Law Avenue from Central Avenue to George Street; Broadway from Central Avenue to St. John Street; Hale Street; St. Thomas Street from Central to Locust Street; Locust Street from Hale Street to Washington Street.

A map is posted at <http://1.usa.gov/1jju07q>.

For more information on the winter parking ban or the emergency parking ban can contact the Parking Bureau at 516-2277.

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## Dover's annual Christmas Tree Lighting is Dec. 4

The 30th annual Christmas Tree Lighting in Henry Law Park will be held on Friday, Dec. 4, 2015, at 6 p.m.

This year's Christmas Tree, located in Henry Law Park, was donated by the Lavoie family of Dover.

Joyful Voices will lead attendees in singing popular Christmas songs around the tree.

Everyone is encouraged to attend this family tradition, held each holiday season, and to bring a weather-appropriate ornament to hang on the tree. After the ceremony, Santa and Mrs. Claus will make an appearance and speak with the children.

Please dress warm and join in for some caroling around the tree.

For more information, contact the Recreation Department at 516-6401.

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## Strafford County Recovery Day offers resources to beat addiction

Chief Anthony F. Colarusso, Jr. announces that on Saturday, Dec. 5, 2015 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., the Dover Police Department is coordinating the Strafford County Community Recovery Day. This event will take place at the Garrison Wing at Wentworth-Douglass Hospital, which will be filled with prevention, treatment and recovery resources.

"The Dover community has been hit hard by the heroin and Opioid epidemic and experienced 11 fatal overdoses already in 2015," Colarusso said. "The Dover Police Department is committed to helping anyone struggling with addiction get connected to available treatment and recovery resources."

Members of the public can attend Recovery Day and be connected to resources necessary to take the next steps towards their own recovery or to assist a loved one with getting the help they need. Others can come just to find out more information about the heroin and opioid crisis that has been taking such a heavy toll on our communities. Counselors will be available on site to assist those looking to find resources ranging from individual/group counseling to residential treatment programs.

In addition to the resource fair there will be a variety of meetings and trainings offered throughout the event. The

schedule is as follows:

- **11 a.m.** - Prevention Presentation by Chris Placy
- **12:30 p.m.** - 12 Step Recovery Meeting
- **1:30 p.m.** - Naloxone (Narcan) training and free kits will be distributed
- **2:30 p.m.** - Family Support Group Meeting

An "Amnesty Box" will be available where attendees can anonymously dispose any illicit drugs, prescription drugs or paraphernalia with no questions asked.

This program is being coordinated by the Dover Police Department and the Dover Coalition for Youth with support provided by Wentworth-Douglass Hospital.

For more information visit [www.DoverCoalition.org](http://www.DoverCoalition.org) or contact Vicki Hebert at 603-516-3279 or [v.hebert@dover.nh.gov](mailto:v.hebert@dover.nh.gov).



## Road closures and traffic restrictions in place for Thanksgiving Day race

Dover Police Chief Anthony F. Colarusso, Jr. announces the following road closures and parking restrictions for the Dover Turkey Trot 5K run/walk event, organized by and benefiting the Garrison Elementary School Parent/Teacher Association. This event is part of the 2015 Dover Race Series.

On Thursday, Nov. 26, 2015 at 9 a.m., Shaws Lane will be closed in both directions between Garrison Road and

Tideview Drive, for a period of approximately 10 minutes to accommodate the start of the race (8:55 to 9:05 a.m.). Garrison Road will be closed in the westerly direction at Morningside Drive from 8:10 to 9 a.m., with traffic diverted through the Morningside neighborhood.

Between 9 and 10 a.m., motorists should expect additional delays in the following locations:

- Garrison Road at Shaws Lane
- Back River Road and Morningside Drive
- Back River Road and Spruce Lane
- Mast Road and Spruce Lane
- Back River Road and Garrison Road

Parking restrictions will be posted on Shaws Lane to be effective on the day of the event. Event parking will be available in the lots adjacent to the Shaws Lane ball fields.

For more information about the Dover Turkey Trot, visit [www.doverturkeytrot.com](http://www.doverturkeytrot.com).

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## Dover Chamber's annual Festival of Trees is Dec. 4

Join the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce and celebrate the holiday season at the sixth annual Festival of Trees on Friday, Dec. 4, 2015, from 4-8 p.m., at Dover City Hall. The event is underwritten by Kennebunk Savings Bank.



On display will be 35 beautifully decorated trees for auction with values from \$100 to \$6,000. Make a bid to go home with these one-of-a-kind trees.

For more information, visit the Chamber [website here](#).

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## Your City needs you! City boards and commissions seek to fill several vacancies

The City of Dover is a vibrant community due in large part to the energy and talent of citizen participation on boards and commissions.



The City's boards and commissions encourage public participation and are seeking new members to fill several vacant positions.

Joining one of the City's numerous boards commissions not only offers a chance to give back to the community, it can be a rewarding and valuable experience, and helps shape the City's future.

For more information about the important role of the City's boards and commissions, please view the video below. Click on the image to view.



**City of Dover Boards and Commissions**

For a complete list of the City's boards and commissions, as well as more information about vacancies and how to apply, [click here](#).

To download an application for board and commissions, click here. Completed forms should be returned to the City Clerk's Office. Committee application forms are kept on file for one year from date of submission.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's office at 516-6018.

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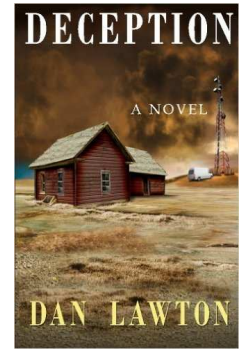
## Local author Dan Lawton reading and signing at the Dover Public Library on Dec. 8

First-time author Dan Lawton will read from his book "Deception" at the Dover Public Library on Tuesday, Dec. 8, at 7 p.m.

A criminal thriller set in Kansas, "Deception" is the story of a heist motivated by vengeance and "detoured by greed, love, murder, and ulterior motives." It took Lawton nearly two years to write his novel, which he began drafting in

early 2013. The book was published as a paperback in May.

Born and raised in central New Hampshire, where he currently lives with his wife and daughter, Lawton always had a passion for writing. It wasn't until he completed a Short Story Workshop and a Scriptwriting course at New England College in Henniker that he began to pursue it seriously. In 2011, he graduated Summa Cum Laude from New England College after completing a specialized Bachelor's degree program focused on creative and professional writing. He currently works as a professional Technical Writer, but hopes to become a full-time novelist. His second novel, Operation Salazar, will be released in January 2016.



In addition to reading an excerpt from his book, Lawton will also be taking questions and signing his book following the program. Copies of "Deception" will be available for sale.

The program is free and open to the public.

For more information call the Library at 603-516-6050. Library hours are Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Saturdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and Sundays 1 to 5 p.m.

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## Local author Suzi Higley and her dog Finnegan speak at Dover Public Library on Monday, Dec. 7

The Dover Public Library will welcome local author Suzi Higley and her canine friend Finnegan to the library on Monday, Dec. 7, at 7 p.m.

Higley has written two books featuring Finnegan: "The Adventures of Finnegan Begin!" and "Finnegan for Mayor". The photography story books for younger readers and adults alike follow the adoption of Finnegan through to his campaign for the mayoral seat.

Higley is a life-long dog lover and currently lives in Portsmouth. It was through her work volunteering at a local animal shelter that she met "Norm", a rescue dog from South Carolina she quickly adopted and rename "Finnegan". Higley describes her love for the outdoors and animals as the inspiration for becoming a children's author and "helping four-legged friends in need".

The program is free and open to the public.

For more information call the Library at 603-516-6050.

Library hours are Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Saturdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and Sundays 1 to 5 p.m.

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## Police begin accepting names for Christmas baskets Nov. 30

Police Chief Anthony F. Colarusso, Jr. announced Wednesday that the Dover Police Department will begin accepting names of needy families residing in Dover for the annual Christmas Basket Program starting Nov. 30.

The Police Department sponsors this program each December to provide Christmas dinners to families in Dover. Last year, 150 baskets of food were distributed to families throughout the community, which provided meals to more than 500 people.

In addition, a large quantity of food was provided to a local soup kitchen, the Food Pantry, the Dover Children's Home and My Friend's Place homeless shelter. Once again, up to 150 Christmas Baskets will be distributed.

In order to make this program a success, donations are needed from the community. Non-perishable food items, canned goods, or monetary donations (checks should be made payable to Dover Police Charities) will be accepted at the Dover Police Department, 46 Locust St. If you cannot arrange for delivery to the police station, call 603-742-4646 and pick up will be arranged.

Volunteers from the Dover Police Department will prepare and deliver the baskets on Dec. 19.

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## City of Dover survey seeks community feedback

The City of Dover is asking residents to participate in [The 2015 National Citizen Survey](#). The survey is designed to provide a baseline of how the City's government is serving residents, to gauge perceptions of the city and to make comparisons with peer cities.

The city contracted with National Research Center, Inc. to participate in The NCS, an instrument that was developed in partnership with the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) in 2001 to provide cities with a low-cost, high-quality method to conduct market research.

The survey centers on community livability and includes questions about the quality of life in the community, local

policies, demographics, rating of local government services and resident use of services.

The survey is now open to everyone, and can be [accessed here](http://www.n-r-c.com/survey/doversurvey2015.htm). The direct link is: [www.n-r-c.com/survey/doversurvey2015.htm](http://www.n-r-c.com/survey/doversurvey2015.htm).

Recently, a random and scientific sample of 1,400 households received invitations by mail to participate in the survey. That portion of the survey has closed.

"Participation in the survey is very important," said City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr. "Feedback from this survey helps guide decisions that affect our City."

The National Citizen Survey was among the first scientific surveys developed to gather resident opinion on a range of community issues, and has been used in more than 350 jurisdictions across 46 states. The NCS is a high-quality cost-effective scientific survey of resident opinion and an important benchmarking tool that allows for comparison among communities. Communities using The NCS have reported that the tool helped improve performance, strengthen communications with community stakeholders, and identify clear priorities for use in goal and budget setting.




The following events are recorded in "Notable Events in the History of Dover, New Hampshire: From the First Settlement in 1623 to 1865," by George Wadleigh, "Historic Rambles About Dover," by Robert A. Whitehouse, "Port of Dover: Two Centuries of Shipping on the Cochecho" by Robert A. Whitehouse and Cathleen C. Beaudoin, and several other historical sources.

For more on the history of Dover, settled in 1623 and the oldest permanent settlement in New Hampshire and seventh oldest in the country, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street; and the Woodman Institute Museum, Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information, located at <http://www.dover.lib.nh.us/DoverHistory/cityof.htm>.



**Nov. 28, 1692** - The Provincial Council, to prevent the drawing off of the soldiers from the Cochecho and Oyster rivers, ordered the Treasurer to disburse twenty or thirty pounds to supply said soldiers with provisions, and to enable them to continue at their posts for the better defense of the Province.







**Dec. 3, 1701** - Commissioners were appointed by the Council to run the lines between the several towns of the Province and to "make good and sufficient bound trees or bound marks" - the Dover commissioners consisting of Capt. John Tuttle, Lt. James Davis and Lt. William Furber.



**Nov. 30, 1847** - The Strafford Bank moved from its old location near the Dover Hotel, to Central Square.



**Dec. 2, 1860** - Dedication of First Congregational Chapel on Central street, which was built this year.



**Nov.29, 1889** - (From the Daily Republican) Frank McFarland, better known as Gypsey Frank, arrived in Dover on Saturday. While baiting his horse on Franklin Square, some evil disposed person took off the nuts of his wheels. His horse, having eaten his supper, Frank started for his home accompnied by a friend. When opposite Burnham's Meat Market the wheels came off, letting the occupants fall to the ground. Fortunate for them, no serious results are anticipated.

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## Sunday hours at the Recycling Center continue

The City of Dover Recycling Center on Mast Road will open for additional weekly hours for several Sundays in November.

The Recycling Center will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the following Sundays:

- Nov. 29

The Recycling Center's regular hours are Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For more information about the Recycling Center, [click here](#).

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## Dover Chamber seeking nominations for annual awards

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce is now accepting nominations for their Business of the Year, Citizen of the Year, Non-Profit of the Year and Volunteer of the Year awards. Winners will be announced at the Annual Awards Dinner Jan. 22, 2016.

The deadline for nominations is Friday, Dec. 4.

For more information, or to nominate a business, organization or person, [click here](#).

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## CITY OF DOVER SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Stay informed with City of Dover special announcements

Want up-to-date information about road work, emergencies, special projects, and other important information? [Sign up now](#) to receive special announcements via email.

In addition to Dover Download, the City of Dover offers a variety of e-mail updates, including emergency and road closure information, Police Facility and Parking Garage updates, Silver Street reconstruction news, news from the Public Library, waterfront development, and more.

To sign up for one or all of the City's updates, [click here](#). An e-mail address is required to access the special announcement mailing lists.

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## MUNICIPAL MATTERS

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### City of Dover employment opportunities

Want to work for the City of Dover? The City's website offers an updated list of open positions, including job descriptions and a downloadable application for employment.

To see what positions the City is seeking to fill, [click here](#).

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### Time to register your vehicle? Save time, register online

Did you know you can save yourself time and a trip to City Hall by registering your vehicle online?

Online vehicle registration renewal is easy, safe and secure. You can register online by providing a PIN number or your

license plate number. Your PIN number is provided by the City of Dover and can be found on your renewal notice.

For your convenience, you can now pay for motor vehicle registration by credit card.

For more information on the E-registration process, [click here](#).

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## Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council, School Board or Planning Board on Channels 22 and 95, you can catch it again, online and on demand.

Simply visit [www.dovernh.viebit.com](http://www.dovernh.viebit.com) to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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Want to stay up to speed on exciting events and activities in Dover? Sign up for the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's weekly newsletter, Peek at the Week, for up-to-date information on what's happening in Dover.

Whether it's the schedule for the Cochecho Arts Festival, art exhibits or where to shop for local products, sign up for Peek at the Week, and you'll be ready for the week ahead.

You can sign up to receive the Chamber's Peek at the Week by e-mail [here](#).

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